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From: Doll, John [John.Doll@USPTO.GOV]

Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2007 9:48 AM

To: Turley, Kyle

Subject: RE: Question about your comments on Wikipedia

Good morning, Kyle,

Thank you for your question and for your kind comments about my speech. The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) regularly reviews and updates recommended NPL websites. Until recently, Wikipedia was included in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) NPL search templates as an examiner recommended site, and was typically used as a background resource tool. A decision was made to remove Wikipedia from our list of recommended sites since it is an "open-content collaborative encyclopedia" which enables users to edit its documents. For your convenience, the link to the USPTO search templates has been included below:

http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/searchtemplates/searchtemplates.htm

I hope this information is helpful!

John

----Original Message-----

From: Turley, Kyle [mailto:KCTurley@mintz.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2007 12:12 PM

To: Doll, John

Subject: Question about your comments on Wikipedia

John, I saw you speak at the Boston Patent Law Association lunch a few months back, it was an enjoyable speech.

I have a quick question. Business Week magazine quoted you as saying that Wikipedia is no longer an approved resource for Examiners. I tried find an official PTO document to this effect, but was unable. Is there any possible way that you can either confirm your statement, or point me in the direction of a PTO document to this effect?

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

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